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BOARD OF MANAGERS, 1887-88.

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ROBERT B. FAIRBAIRN, *Auditor.*

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HORATIO H. SOUTHER.
Mrs. AUGUSTUS PARKER.
" GEORGE H. WYMAN.
" FRANCIS J. WARD.
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" WILLIAM E. SMITH.
Miss H. F. HOLDEN.
Mrs. JOHN CARR.
" BENJAMIN P. LANE.
" EDWIN WAITE.
" MARSHALL LIVERMORE.
" SOLOMON BOLSTER.
" GEORGE W. GREGORY.
" DANFORTH C. HODGES.
" HENRY PROCTOR.
Miss CARRIE FOWLE.

Matron.

Mrs. MARY B. CURTIS.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Solon W. Bush.
Aaron H. Bean.
George H. Wyman.
H. H. Souther.
William A. Paine.
Mrs. Emily L. Couthouy.

COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS.

Mrs. T. J. Homer, 59 Winthrop Street.
Mrs. Francis J. Ward, 37 Winthrop Street.
Miss A. M. Haines, Townsend Street.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

April.

Mrs. Tripp. Miss Nevers.

May.

Mrs. Pishon. Mrs. Smith.

June.

Mrs. Parker. Miss Holden.

July.

Mrs. Ward. Mrs. Hodges.

August.

Mrs. Waite. Mrs. Carr.

September.

Mrs. Wheelock. Miss Howard.

October.

Mrs. Tilton. Miss Fowle.

November.

Mrs. Lane. Miss White.

December.

Miss Haines. Mrs. Homer.

January.

Mrs. Bolster. Mrs. Milliken.

February.

Mrs. Wyman. Mrs. Gregory.

March.

Mrs. Livermore. Mrs. Proctor.

REPORT

For the Year ending April 1, 1887.

Another year since we last met for our annual meeting has passed, and still affairs at the Home go on in the even tenor of their way. Under a roof which shelters so many who have passed the boundary of threescore years and ten, is it not remarkable that, as the mile-stones are passed, so few fall out by the way?

Our number remains the same, but some changes have necessarily occurred. Three who were members of this family of aged ones a year ago have died.

Miss Emerson, always patient under her misfortunes, who bore so cheerfully her double affliction, passed away in September last, and we trust is now receiving her reward where "the lame walk, and the blind receive their sight."

Miss Christian entered the Home in the full belief that she had many years more of life, but, after a few months' illness, was released from all suffering.

Mrs. Hallett, an outside beneficiary, was taken ill in May, and lived but a few days. She was kindly cared for by the Visiting Committee, and laid to rest in Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Miss Lillie, the oldest member of the household, died after a few days' illness, only a few weeks since, and, although so aged, clung to life as if she were years younger.

The condition of one whose mind had become somewhat obscure was taken into consideration by the Board; and it was decided that, not only on her own account, but for the benefit of all in the house, it was better to have her board away from the Home, although she is under the supervision of the Managers the same as if she were still within its walls.

Another inmate has found a home elsewhere, making five vacancies which have been filled.

During the year, we have gratefully acknowledged bequests from several who, when in life, were interested in the aged, and at their death kindly remembered the Home: Mrs. Mehitable Adams, $1,000; the estate of John H. Eastburn, $3,000; Benjamin F. Penniman, $127.73; Mrs. Catherine Humphreys, $1,000.

The Home still remains under the care of the efficient matron, Mrs. Curtis, whose kindness and sympathy, ready tact and good judgment, are acknowledged by all, and whose ladylike bearing and cordial manner are a delight to the many visitors at the Home; and the Board feel that they have great cause to be grateful that the care of the house is intrusted to so competent a person.

It is with deep regret that we record the death of an active member from the Board of Managers. Miss Hiss, who for some time had taken a deep interest in the work, and who had endeared herself to many co-workers, passed away early in the year, regretted by all.

We do not forget our obligations to children; and, during the year, money has been spent for those who needed help and assistance.

In taking a retrospective view of affairs at the Home, let us not forget that we have a future which demands our attention and consideration.

The Home at present accommodates but nineteen inmates; and it is with pleasure that we invite the public to enter our doors, and thus be convinced of the privileges enjoyed by its members.

As the Home is now conducted, we are obliged in nearly every instance to have each apartment occupied by two persons. Rarely does it occur that any differences arise between room-mates, and it is often pathetic to witness their mutual care and devotion; but one can readily see it is highly important that there should be extra rooms in cases of illness, for many a wakeful night is passed by one person, owing to the illness of her room-mate.

Again, in our present quarters, it is impossible to add even one to our number. Still, the Managers are constantly importuned to admit just one more; and, as the waiting list is never small, it is often a matter for discussion and deliberation to whom to give the first place.

We are particularly desirous, at no distant day, to enlarge our building and make it more commodious; to have a larger number of inmates and single rooms for many whose peculiar needs seem to demand it.

Who appeal to our sympathies more than those who have accomplished their life-work, and many of them so faithfully, and are simply waiting the Master's summons? We appeal to the citizens of Roxbury, as this is a Roxbury institution, to assist us in the proposed undertaking.

GEORGE H. WYMAN, *Treasurer*, IN ACCOUNT WITH ROXBURY HOME FOR CHILDREN AND AGED WOMEN.

Dr.		
To Balance of Account April 1, 1886,		$280.36
Income from Admissions,		650.00
" " Investments,		1,749.65
" " Board,		1,314.77
Income from Subscriptions: —		
Four of $25 each,	$100.00	
One of $10,	10.00	
Ten of $5 each,	50.00	
Six of $3 each,	18.00	
Three of $2 each,	6.00	
Ninety-eight of $1 each,	98.00	282.00
Bequest from Mrs. Mehitable Adams,		1,000.00
" " John H. Eastman,		3,000.00
" " Catherine C. Humphreys,		1,000.00
" " Benjamin F. Penniman,		127.73
		$9,404.51

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By Amount Invested,	$5,274.50
Table Expenses,	1,495.80
Salaries, Wages, and Labor,	1,255.39
Fuel and Lights,	303.67
Repairs and Furnishing,	132.36
Medicines,	57.62
Printing Annual Report,	45.73
Stationery and Postage Stamps,	19.74
Safe Deposit Vaults,	15.00
Water Tax,	20.00
Insurance,	20.00
Incidentals,	140.95
Balance to New Account,	623.75
	$9,404.51

Boston, March 31, 1887. Accounts and vouchers examined, and found correct.

BOSTON, April 8, 1887.

R. B. FAIRBAIRN, *Auditor.*

ROXBURY HOME FOR CHILDREN AND AGED WOMEN.

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS IN THE HANDS OF THE TREASURER, MARCH 31, 1887.

	PAR VAL.	MARKET VAL.
New York & New England R.R. Bonds, 7%,	$3,000.00	$3,765.00
Eastern R.R. Bonds, 6%,	2,000.00	2,560.00
Burlington & Missouri in Nebraska R.R. Bonds, 6%,	600.00	720.00
Old Colony R.R. Bonds, 7%,	2,000.00	2,400.00
Columbia & Hocking Valley R.R. Bonds, 7%,	500.00	575.00
Kansas City, Fort Scott & Gulf R.R. Bonds, 7%,	1,000.00	1,190.00
Boston, Concord & Montreal R.R. Bonds, 7%,	3,500.00	3,946.25
Portsmouth, Great Falls & Conway R.R. Bonds, 4½%,	1,000.00	1,050.00
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R.R. Bonds, 5%,	1,0 0.00	1,100.00
City of Boston Bonds, 5%,	1,000.00	1,235.00
City of B ston Bonds, 4%,	1,600.00	1,716.00
City of Boston Registered Bonds, 4%,	1 000.00	1,072.50
Atlantic & Mutual Insurance Co. Scrip, 6%,	4,000.00	4,200.00
Thirty two Shares Lowell R.R.,	3,200.00	5,376.00
Thirty Shares Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R.R.,	3,000.00	4,230.00
Four Shares Warren National Bank,	400.00	520 00
Cash on hand,	623.75	623.75
CAROLINE PORTER FUND.		
State of Massachusetts Bonds, 5%,	1,000.00	1,127.50
Boston & Maine R.R. Bonds, 7%,	1,000.00	1,200.00
New York & New England R.R. Bonds, 7%,	2,000.00	2,510.00
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R.R. Bonds, 4%,	1,000.00	965.00
ADAMS FUND.		
Marion & McPherson R.R. Bonds, 7%,	1,000.00	1,240.00
Thirteen Shares Lowell R.R.,	1,300.00	2,184 00
Savings Bank Deposit,	553.08	553.08
WILLIAM WHITING FUND.		
City of Boston Bonds, 4%,	2,000.00	2,145.00
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R.R. Bonds, 4%,	4,000.00	3,860.00
LOWELL FUND.		
Cowley, Sumner & Fort Smith R.R. Bonds, 7%,	1,000.00	1,222.50
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R.R. Bonds, 4%,	2,000.00	1,930.00
City of Boston Bonds, 4%,	200.00	214 50
	$46,476.83	$55,431.08

BOSTON, April 15, 1887.

I have this day examined the above-named securities or their equivalent, and found them correct.

ROBERT B. FAIRBAIRN, *Auditor.*

LIFE MEMBERS, $50 00.

* Mrs. Thomas Adams.
Mrs. N. J. Bowditch.
Miss Louisa Champney.
Mrs. Jeremiah Plimpton.
Miss Sarah M. Champney.
* Mrs. George Dove.
Mrs. David P. Kimball.
Mrs. Henry S. Shaw.
* William Taylor.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION,

ONE DOLLAR AND UPWARDS.

1886-87.

Amory, Miss Mary, $3.
Appleton, Mrs. Mary G.
Appleton, William C.
* Ayer, Adams, Rev.
Ayer, Mrs. Adams
Ayers, Miss Alice C.

Bacon, Augustus
Bacon, William
Bartlett, Miss Mary H.
Bartlett, Miss Caroline
Bastow, Mrs. M. A.
Bayley, Mrs. M. R.
Bean, Aaron H.
Bean, Miss Caroline
Bean, Miss Mary H.
Blanchard, Mrs. William
Bolster, Mrs. Solomon
Bradford, Mrs. C. F.
Brigham, Miss E. D., $5.
Brigham, Joseph L.
Brown, Atherton T., $5.
Bush, Rev. Solon W.
Bush, Mrs. T. D.

Carr, John
Carr, Mrs. John
Chase, H. G. O., $5.
Clarke, John J., $3.
Cobb, Mrs. E. M. S.
Copeland, Mrs. Charles F.
Couthouy, Mrs. Wm. A.

Davis, Miss Elizabeth, $2.
De Normandie, Mrs. James
Dixwell, Mrs. E. B.

Flint, John S., $5.
Foster, Mrs. Anna S.
Foster, Mrs. Charlotte

Green, Mrs. Franklin, $3.
Gregory, Mrs. George W.
* Guild, Henry, $5.
Guild, James

Haines, Miss A. M.
Harmon, Mrs. Ivory
Hastings, Frank H.
Hayden, Mrs. Olive E., $5.
Hemenway, Mrs. Augustus
Hickling, Charles
* Hiss, Miss Mary E.
Hobbs, Mrs. George M.
Hodges, Mrs. Danforth C., $3.
Holden, Miss H. F.
Homer, Thomas J.
Homer, Mrs. T. J.
Howard, Miss H. S., $2.
Humphreys, R. C.
Humphreys, Mrs. R. C.

Jackson, Mrs. A. C.

Kilham, Mrs. Edward

* Deceased.

Lamson, Mrs. Joseph
Lancaster, Mrs. E. M.
Lane, Mrs. Benj. P.
Leland, Mrs William S.
Livermore, Mrs. Marshall
Lovell, Mrs. C. B.
Lowell, Miss Anna C., $10.

Martin, Mrs. Henry A., $5.
Milliken, Mrs. E. T.
Munroe, Mrs. George H.

Nazro, Mrs. Fred H.
Nevers, Miss Lucy A.
Newell, Mrs. James M.

Otis, Mrs. Harriet B.

Paine, William A.
Parker, Mrs. Augustus
Parker, Mrs. J. Wells
Pettee, Mrs. Seth
Pishon, Mrs. Thomas J.
Plimpton, Mrs. Charles H.
Pollock, Mrs. Charles

Randall, Miss Belinda, $5.
Rice, Mrs. Edward E., $3.
Rice, Mrs. George Woods
Rogers, Miss Laura D.
Rogers, Miss Susan S., $3.
* Rupp, D. C. M.

Sargent, Mrs. Epes
Scudder, Mr. S. H., $5.
Shed, Mrs. Joseph G.
Simes, Mrs. William
Smith, Mrs. William E.
Snow, Miss Salome
* Stackpole, Mrs. R. M.
Stanton, Mrs. I. L.
Swett, Miss Eliza G.
Swett, Miss Ellen L.

Thacher, Miss C. B.
Thompson, Mrs. Augustus
Tilton, Mrs. Hubbard W.
Tolman, Mrs. James
Townsend, Miss Anna S.
Townsend, Mrs. E. B.
Tripp, Mrs. Lucina F.
Tuttle, Mrs. Joseph W.

Waite, Edwin
Waite, Mrs. Edwin
Ward, Mrs. Francis J.
Ware, Miss Harriot
Ware, Mrs. Leonard
Weld, Miss Susan
Wheelock, Mrs. J. Andrews
Wheelwright, Mrs. George
Wheelwright, Mrs. Josiah
White, Miss Margaret U.
White, Miss S. D. H.
Whittier, Charles
Williams, Miss Mary, $5.
Williams, Mrs. R. B.
Woods, Miss Carrie
Wyman, Mrs. George H.
Wyman, George H.

* Deceased.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

We wish again to thank the clergymen and laymen who have so cordially ministered at the service which is held for the inmates of the Home each Sunday at 4.30 P.M., except through July and August.

1886.

Apr. 4. Rev. Edward Kurnick.
" 11. Mrs. Jane L. Patterson.
" 18. Rev. A. H. Plumb.
" 25. Rev. D. Waldron, Easter service.
May 2. Mr. Edmonds.
" 9. Rev. Mr. Hayes.
" 16. Rev. George H. Young.
" 23. Mrs. J. L. Patterson.
" 30. Rev. I. P. Coddington.
June 6. Rev. A. I. Patterson.
" 13. Rev. James De Normandie.
" 20. Mr. Richard C. Humphreys.
" 27. Rev. C. R. Eliot.
July 25. Rev. A. K. Potter.
Aug. 1. Mr. R. C. Humphreys.
" 15. Mr. George Ingram.
Sept. 19. Rev. B. F. Hamilton.
Oct. 3. Rev. J. T. B. House.
" 10. Rev. A. K. Potter.
" 17. Rev. A. K. Potter.
" 24. Mr. Richards.
" 31. Mr. E. B. Reynolds.
Nov. 7. Revs. Horace Wellington and Elias Chapman.
" 14. Rev. George L. Converse.
" 21. Revs. H. Wellington and E. Chapman.
" 28. Rev. Judson Smith.
Dec. 5. Rev. Edward Hale.
" 12. Rev. Mr. Richards.
" 19. Rev. S. K. Mitchell.
" 26. Rev. L. A. Banks.

1887.

Jan. 2. Mrs. E. Trask Hill.
" 9. Rev. J. R. Peirce.
" 16. Deacon Edmands.
" 23. Mr. Everett Ware.
" 30. Mr. Carter.
Feb. 6. Rev. A. B. Kendig.
" 13. Rev. W. H. Lyon.
" 20. Rev. Judson Smith.
" 27. Rev. A. H. Plumb.
Mar. 6. Mr. E. B. Reynolds.
" 13. Mr. Henry Proctor.
" 20. Mr. George R. Fiske.
" 27. Mr. R. C. Humphreys.

DONATIONS AND FAVORS RECEIVED.

We would gratefully acknowledge professional services of Dr. Streeter and Dr. Flint, and kindly services and gifts from: —

Publishers of *Home Journal.*
" Roxbury *Advocate.*
" *Christian Register.*
" *Youth's Companion.*
Walnut Avenue Church.
Mrs. Weston.
Mrs. Kilham.
Mrs. O. Davenport.
Mrs. Rumrill.
Immanuel Church.
Miss Holden.
Mrs. F. J. Ward.
Mrs. Augustus Parker.
Mrs. M. A. Duty.
Mrs. J. Plimpton.
Miss Heath.
Mrs. T. J. Homer.
Mrs. Hall.
Mrs. G. W. Gregory.
Mrs. Tillinghast.
Mrs. H. G. Wheelwright.
Mrs. Hitchcock.
Mrs. Spillman.
Mrs. W. H. Kilby.
Mrs. E. T. Hill.
Mrs. Couthouy.
Mrs. Tripp.
Mrs. Bolster.
Mrs. Spicer, over 90 years of age.
Mrs. J. C. J. Brown.
Dudley Street Baptist Church.
St. Mary's Church.
Miss H. C. Kennard.
Miss Appleton.
Miss Harrington.
Miss Grant.
Miss Hunneman.
Miss A. M. Haynes.
Mr. O. Davenport.
Mr. S. H. Scudder.
Mr. J. Plympton.
Mr. F. H. Hastings.

INMATES.

	AGE
Miss Eliza Brereton,	69
Miss Harriet Burrill,	86
Mrs. Eliza R. Carson,	70
* Miss Hannah Christian,	74
Miss M. Louisa Crawley,	72
Miss Elizabeth R. Davies,	76
Miss Maria Davis,	84
* Miss Catherine F. Emerson,	80
Miss Sarah Fosberry,	83
Miss Harriet Hall,	86
† Miss Mary Howard,	80
Mrs. Ann Huggins,	83
Mrs. Ellen Lawlor,	75
Miss Lydia Learned,	71
* Miss Mary A. Lillie,	90
Mrs. Susan D. Linne,	82
Miss Eliza Melcher,	82
Miss Harriet Moore,	85
Miss Sarah Seaverns,	80
Mrs. Dorcas B. Stewart,	87
Mrs. Charlotte M. Whipple,	85
Mrs. Sally Wormwood,	66

OUTSIDE BENEFICIARY.

* Mrs. Wealthy Hallett.

* Deceased.

† Boarded away from the Home.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIX.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

SECTION 1. James Ritchie, John Rogers, Charles K. Dillaway, and James Waldock, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury, for the purpose of providing for destitute children and aged females, and affording a temporary home for the same, with all the powers and subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in the forty-fourth chapter of the Revised Statutes.

SECT. 2. Said corporation may take and hold real estate not exceeding the value of twenty thousand dollars, and personal estate not exceeding the value of thirty thousand dollars, for the aforesaid charitable purposes.

SECT. 3. This Act shall take effect from and after its passage.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 29, 1856.

Passed to be enacted.

CHARLES A. PHELPS, *Speaker.*

IN SENATE, May 30, 1856.

Passed to be enacted.

ELIHU C. BAKER, *President.*

May 31, 1856.

Approved.

HENRY J. GARDNER.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, June 3, 1856.

A true copy.

Attest: THOMAS DEWITT,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

[CHAPTER 199.]

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOUR.

AN ACT

To change the name of the "Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. The name of the corporation known as the "Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury" is changed to the "Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women."

SECT. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 20, 1874.

Passed to be enacted.

JOHN E. SANFORD, *Speaker.*

IN SENATE, April 23, 1874.

Passed to be enacted.

GEO. B. LORING, *President.*

April 24, 1874.

Approved. W. B. WASHBURN.

SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, April 28, 1886.

A true copy.

Witness the Seal of the Commonwealth.

[SEAL.] DEPUTY HENRY J. COOLIDGE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE.

AN ACT

Enabling the Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women to hold additional real and personal estate.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section two of chapter two hundred and forty of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and fifty-six, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury," is repealed, and the following is substituted in place thereof: Said corporation may take and hold real estate not exceeding the value of seventy-five thousand dollars, and personal estate not exceeding the value of seventy-five thousand dollars, for the aforesaid charitable purposes.

SECT. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Feb. 12, 1883.

Passed to be enacted.

GEORGE A. MARDEN, *Speaker.*

IN SENATE, Feb. 14, 1883.

Passed to be enacted.

GEORGE G. CROCKER, *President.*

Feb. 15, 1883.

Approved.

BENJAMIN F. BUTLER.

SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT, March 1, 1883.

A true copy.

Attest: HENRY B. PEIRCE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

BY-LAWS.

ADOPTED APRIL 22, 1884.

ARTICLE I.

The corporation shall consist of the persons named in the Act of Incorporation, all Life and Honorary Members, and of all such persons as shall have received, at any legal meeting of the Board of Managers, a majority of the votes cast at such meeting, and shall pay such sum as shall be voted as the annual assessment. Membership to cease upon non-payment of the annual assessment.

ARTICLE II.

OFFICERS.

The officers of the corporation, under the name of the "Board of Managers," shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Auditor, and not more than thirty other persons, all of whom shall be members of the corporation. They shall be chosen by ballot at each annual meeting, and shall hold their offices for one year and until others are chosen and qualified. The Board of Managers shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring during the year.

ARTICLE III.

MEETINGS.

The annual meeting of the corporation shall be holden on the fourth Tuesday of April; and the Board of Managers may call special meetings of the corporation whenever in their opinion expedient or desirable, and it shall be their duty to call them whenever requested in writing so to do by twenty members. Notice of time and place of meeting shall be given in one or more newspapers published in the city of Boston at least four days previous to the meeting.

A regular meeting of the Board of Managers shall be held on the third Tuesday of every month, at such place and hour as they shall direct; and special meetings may be called at any time by the President, Vice-President, or Committee for the month. Notices of such special meetings shall state the object for which they are called. Six members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE IV.

MANAGERS.

The Board of Managers shall have the entire government and control of the Home, and of the general business and property of the Association. They may choose committees from their own members on Finance, Supplies, Repairs, Admissions, and such other committees as may be necessary to perform any special duties. They shall have full power to take any measures which they may deem expedient for encouraging subscriptions, donations, and bequests to the corporation; and they shall make an annual report to the corporation, on the Treasurer's accounts and on the general state of the Home, and give an abstract of their doings for the year.

ARTICLE V.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

There shall be a Committee of one or more from the Board of Managers for every month, whose duty it shall be to visit the Home at least once a week, ascertain all needs, make fitting suggestions, give orders for necessary purchases, and submit their report at the succeeding monthly meeting. They shall also have supervision over outside beneficiaries.

ARTICLE VI.

TREASURER.

The Treasurer under the direction of the Committee on Finance shall have the charge and care of the finances, shall receive all moneys due, and shall pay all bills which have been approved by the Board of Managers or their authorized committees. He shall render an account annually to the corporation and quarterly to the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE VII.

AUDITOR.

The auditor shall, in the month of April of every year, audit the account of the Treasurer, examine the property of the corporation, and append his report to the Treasurer's annual statement.

ARTICLE VIII.

SECRETARY.

The Secretary shall notify and attend all meetings of the corporation and of the Board of Managers, and shall keep a distinct record of the doings of each, with the names of those present at Board meetings, and shall notify the members of the Visiting Committee of their term of service, and shall bring to the attention of the Board all communications requiring action.

ARTICLE IX.

LIFE MEMBERS.

Any person who shall contribute the sum of $50 may become a Life Member by a vote of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE X.

ADMISSION OF INMATES.

Preference shall be given to those applicants who are residents of that part of Boston formerly known as Roxbury. The Managers may, if they deem it expedient, aid beneficiaries at their own home.

ARTICLE XI.

DONATIONS.

All sums received by the Association as donations or bequests, unless the donor or testator shall otherwise prescribe, and all moneys collected, including subscriptions, may be applied to the current expenses of the Institution, or to create or increase a permanent fund, or be otherwise invested at the discretion of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE XII.

AMENDMENTS.

The foregoing By-laws may be altered, amended, or added to by a vote of a majority of the members present at any legal meeting of the corporation, notice thereof having been given of the change proposed in the call for said meeting.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS.

ARTICLE I.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

The visitors for the month shall visit the Home not less than once a week. It shall be their duty to see the inmates, inquire into their condition, and give such encouragement and advice as may be in their power or the circumstances of the case seem to require. The Committee shall have the general oversight of the Matron and the concerns of the family. They shall ascertain the needs of the Institution, and direct the purchase of such articles as may be required for its temporary welfare and comfort. They shall see that the Matron conforms to the rules as to her own conduct and that of the family, and they shall make a monthly report to the Managers of the Institution.

ARTICLE II.

MATRON.

The Matron, under direction of the Visiting Committee, shall have charge of the house. She shall in no case be absent during the night without permission from the Visiting Committee. She shall enforce the rules and regulations of the Managers, and carry out such others as may be prescribed by the Visiting Committee. She shall be present at meals, see that they are properly served, and that all the inmates who are in health are present, and that suitable food be prepared for the sick. She shall report to the Visiting Committee the names of all applicants and the date of application, and, if presents be made to the Institution, the names of the persons making them, and the character of the donation. She shall at all times maintain the respect due to her station, and by kindness, attention, and judicious treatment endeavor to gain the esteem and secure the comfort and happiness of all those under her care. If improper conduct is observed in any member of the family, she shall, after the first offence, report the same to the Visiting Committee. She will, under the direction of the Visiting Committee, have the direction of nurses, domestics, and all other employees in the building. It shall be her duty to see that neatness and good conduct prevail in every part of the establishment, and that all unnecessary fires and lights are extinguished by 9.30 P.M.

ARTICLE III.

ON ADMISSIONS.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Admissions to visit each applicant and inquire into her circumstances and character, and make a full report to the Board in writing in regard to those deemed by them proper persons for admission to the Home, always accompanied with a certificate from a physician of good standing that he has examined the applicant, and that she has no physical or mental infirmity that should preclude her admission. The Board shall, in all cases, decide upon the admission of candidates. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Admissions to keep a record, in which shall be entered the names of all applicants, their respective ages, places of birth and residence, by whom recommended, date of application, and such other information as may be of importance. No person shall be admitted as an inmate of the Home without a recommendation from this Committee.

SECT. 2. No person shall be admitted to the Home unless of American parentage, except by a majority of all the Managers present and voting at a regular meeting; and preference shall always be given to natives or residents of Roxbury.

SECT. 3. Persons under sixty years of age shall not be eligible. In the admission of all persons, they shall be received on probation of three months, at the expiration of which the Board of Managers shall act definitely on the case of each one so received; and, if not confirmed as permanent inmates, the admission fee, deducting three dollars per week, shall be returned.

SECT. 4. The Board of Managers may by vote admit inmates on such terms as the pecuniary condition of the corporation or the circumstances of any particular case may seem to demand. Until otherwise ordered, three hundred dollars shall be the fee for admission. Furniture and other articles brought into the house by or for permanent inmates must remain for the benefit of the Home.

SECT. 5. The Board of Managers have the right at any time to discharge and remove from the Home any inmate who has been guilty of disobedient or disorderly conduct or who, in their judgment, has by her conduct rendered such action necessary for the best interests of the Institution, *provided*, however, that no vote of removal shall be passed, unless the intention to pass such vote shall have been inserted in the notice calling the meeting.

SECT. 6. Inmates who have property must secure the same to the corporation before admission; and in case of money or other property coming into their possession after their admission by inheritance, bequest, or otherwise, they must, if they continue in the Home, make the same over to the corporation upon the demand of the Board of Managers.

SECT. 7. Inmates will be required in all cases to comply with the

Rules and Regulations of the Home, as provided by the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE IV.

INMATES.

SECTION 1. The inmates will be required at all times to treat the Matron and Visiting Committee with deference and respect. They will also endeavor, by quiet and gentle manners, to diffuse an air of cheerfulness and good feeling throughout the establishment; and, by acts of kindness and forbearance, to gain the esteem and promote the happiness and comfort of each other.

SECT. 2. Those who are able will be required to make their own beds and to keep their own rooms in order, neat and clean, and, under direction of the Matron, to assist those who are unable to do the same. They will also be expected to assist in domestic duties and in sewing, and generally to render all the services they can for the benefit of the Institution and the comfort of those inmates more helpless than themselves.

SECT. 3. No intoxicating drinks shall be used, except by order of the physician; and, in such cases, they must be administered by the Matron.

SECT. 4. All that is necessary for the comfort of the inmates of the Home will be provided from the funds of the Association. No inmate, therefore, will, on any account, be permitted to leave the Institution to solicit assistance or procure work, unless by special permission from the Visiting Committee.

SECT. 5. No inmate will be allowed to interfere with the Matron or to obstruct her in the discharge of her duties, but any one having cause of complaint must present the same to the Visiting Committee.

SECT. 6. If any inmate desires to visit her friends or to go off the premises at any time, permission must be obtained of the Matron, who, before granting the same, must ascertain where the person wishes to go and how long she proposes to be absent.

SECT. 7. All of the inmates who are able will take their meals at the regular table provided for them, and will also attend the Sunday service held for them in the parlor each Sunday afternoon.

ARTICLE V.

Visitors may be permitted any day in the week between the hours of 10 and 12 A.M. and 2 and 6 P.M., and on Sundays after 2 o'clock P.M.

ARTICLE VI.

These Rules and Regulations may be altered, amended, or abrogated, and others prescribed at any regular meeting of the Board of Managers; and, to insure harmony, strict attention should be paid to them.